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Letter dated 12 January 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to draw your attention to the declaration on the approval of a Constitution for Afghanistan issued on 6 January 2004 by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union (see annex).

I should be grateful if the text of the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Declaration on the approval of a Constitution for Afghanistan issued on 6 January 2004 by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union

The European Union Presidency welcomes the approval of a Constitution for Afghanistan by the Loya Jirga. The approval of the Constitution, which represents a fundamental step in the peace process established by the Bonn Agreement, provides a foundation for a future of peace and prosperity for the Afghan people. The European Union reconfirms its full commitment to this process.